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Brief Synopsis

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"THE SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY"

Aubrey Tanqueray, a well-preserved and handsome widower of fortytwo, informs his old friends, Misquith & Jayne, both men of the world and older than himself that he is about to marry again, he refrains from telling them the lady's name.

Paula (the second Mrs. Tanqueray) a beautiful, fresh, innocent-looking young women of twenty seven (who nevertheless had a past), cold-shouldered by some of Aubrey's former society lady friends.

He married her in the honest belief that if he were kind to her (as her former male acquaintances had not been) she would be a reclaimed woman.

She speedily finds her position unbearable because he is ignored by local society, and also because she is unable to win the affection or confidence of Ellean, a young girl of 19, a daughter of Aubrey's by first marriage.

Seeing that Paula's kindness towards Ellean will not win her a way into the young girl's heart and thinking that time will soften Ellean's regard for Paula, Aubrey gives his consent to Ellean's going to Paris with Mrs. Cortelyou.

In Paris Ellean meets and becomes engaged to Captain Ardale, who had formerly been intimate with Paula.

Paula feels it to be her duty to inform Aubrey of their relationship. He forbids Ellean to see Captain Ardale again. Ellean suspecting that it was through Paula's interference that she cannot marry Captain Ardale goes to speak to her. Paula emphatically denies having had any say in the matter; Ellean, very indignant, replies that she has guessed all, that Paula cannot hide her past because "It is written on her face".

Paula in wild despair, though Aubrey offered to go away and start a new life with her elsewhere answers that it would be useless because everybody would know as "it is written on my face,"/kills herself. "Killed herself? Yes. Yes. so everybody will say. But I know -- I helped to kill her. If I'd only been merciful", says Ellean.

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